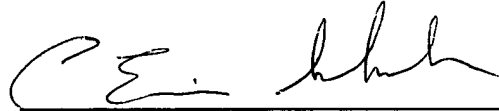


REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed prior to initial review of the application and serves to include in the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section a claim of priority reflecting the claim of priority included with the Declaration originally filed with the application. This Preliminary Amendment also inserts in the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section recently received serial numbers for related applications.

The Applicant does not believe that any fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 25452-014.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Eric Schulman", is written over a horizontal line.

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